

## **AGENDA CHANGES**

**APRIL 20, 2021**

The following item has been added/amended:

**PROCLAMATION:**    **-Station House Café**  
                          **-Autism Awareness Month**

### **AMENDMENT:**

6. Resolution amending the TRHT Advisory Committee to expire on July 31, 2021.  
Amending resolution #68-2021.

### **RESOLUTION/ADDITION:**

10. Resolution awarding a professional services contract to Hunter Research for Phase I Archaeological survey and Phase III Archaeological Data Recovery (if required) for the Littel Lord House, in an amount not to exceed \$46,000.00.
11. Resolution authorizing the application of the 2021 New Jersey Historic Preservation Trust grant to assist in the rehabilitation and restoring of the Littel Lord Farmhouse.
12. Resolution authorizing the application of the 2021 AARP Community Challenge Grant in the amount of \$15,090.00.

*Proclamation*  
*Township of Berkeley Heights*

**WHEREAS Mouris Gawrgy**, more commonly known as Mo, is a well-known figure in Berkeley Heights, providing delicious food and friendly service at the Station House Café; and

**WHEREAS Mo**, originally a chemistry and physics teacher in his native Egypt, visited New Jersey, fell in love with the United States and decided to pursue opportunities here; and

**WHEREAS Mo** opened the Station House Café in 1989 and his wife Sonia and their three daughters all helped out working at the family business; and

**WHEREAS Mo** has graciously employed many young residents at his cafe throughout the years; and

**WHEREAS** the Station House Café, known for their waffles, pancakes, milkshakes, soups and other specialties has been a gathering place for residents for thirty- one years, a true staple in our community; and

**WHEREAS** the pandemic hit small businesses especially hard and **Mo** who normally worked seven days a week had to close for several months and re-engineer his customer-centric business to a predominantly take out business; and

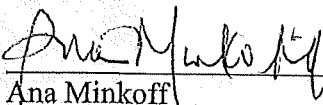
**WHEREAS Mo** will be closing the Station House Café as of April 30, 2021 and will be taking some well- deserved time off until he starts his next venture,

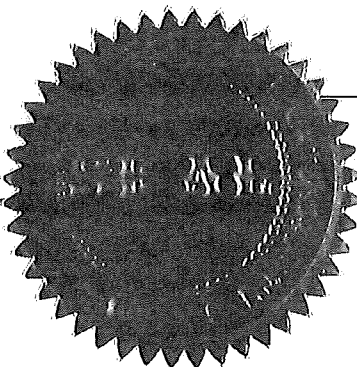
**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Berkeley Heights would like to give special recognition to **Mouris Gawrgy** for his thirty-one years in business in Berkeley Heights and wish him the very best in his future endeavors.

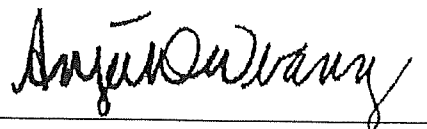
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that copies of this resolution are to be forwarded to **Mouris Gawrgy** and the Township Clerk.

**APPROVED** this 20th day of April, 2021.

**ATTEST:**

  
Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk





Angie D. Devanney, Mayor

*Proclamation*  
*Township of Berkeley Heights*

**WHEREAS**, Autism spectrum disorder (ASD) is a developmental condition that can cause significant social, communication and behavioral challenges; and

**WHEREAS**, according to a 2020 report from the Center for Disease Control, 1 out of every 54 children has been diagnosed as having an ASD; and

**WHEREAS**, people with ASD may communicate, interact, behave, and learn in ways that are different from neurotypical people. The learning, thinking, and problem-solving abilities of people with ASD can range from gifted to severely challenged. Some people with ASD need a lot of help in their daily lives; others need less; and

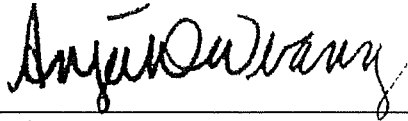
**WHEREAS**, it is well-documented that if individuals with autism receive early and intensive treatment throughout their lives, they lead significantly improved lives; and,

**WHEREAS**, the United States federal government and countless state, regional and local government entities have recognized the month of April as National Autism Awareness Month; and

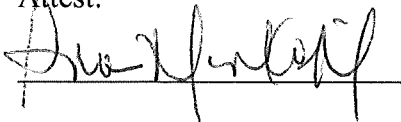
**WHEREAS**, the Township of Berkeley Heights strives to be a community where all are welcomed and valued, including those with an ASD and similar developmental challenges:

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Berkeley Heights that April 2021 is designated as Autism Awareness Month within the Township of Berkeley Heights and urge all employees and residents to become better educated about autism and create a better community for individuals with autism.

Approved this 20th day of April, 2021.

  
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Angie Devanney, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Ana P. Minkoff, Township Clerk

**Township of Berkeley Heights  
Union County, New Jersey**

**Resolution**

**Support from the Berkeley Heights Township Council Authorizing the  
\$2,000 Sustainable Jersey Grant Funded by the PSEG Foundation**

**WHEREAS**, a sustainable community seeks to optimize quality of life for its residents by ensuring that its environmental, economic and social objectives are balanced and mutually supportive; and

**WHEREAS**, Berkeley Heights strives to save tax dollars, assure clean land, air and water, improve working and living environments; and

**WHEREAS**, Berkeley Heights is participating in the Sustainable Jersey Program; and

**WHEREAS**, one of the purposes of the Sustainable Jersey Program is to provide resources to municipalities to make progress on sustainability issues, and they have created a grant program called the Sustainable Jersey Grants Program funded by the PSEG Foundation;

**WHEREAS**, the Berkeley Heights Environmental Commission desires to apply for a grant sponsored by PSEG, in the amount of \$2,000 to help launch a new "Adopt a Drain" initiative in Berkeley Heights; and

**WHEREAS**, with Environmental Commission launching the "Adopt a Drain" initiative, it makes Berkeley Heights only the second community on the East Coast to adopt the national program;

**THEREFORE**, the Township Council of Berkeley Heights, NJ has determined that Berkeley Heights should apply for the \$2,000 grant being offered under the aforementioned Sustainable Jersey Grants Program (the "Sustainable Jersey Grant").

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Township Council of Berkeley Heights, State of New Jersey, authorize the submission of the aforementioned Sustainable Jersey Grant.

**APPROVED** this 20th day of April, 2021.

**ATTEST:**

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Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS  
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**AMENDING RESOLUTION #68-2021**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Berkeley Heights is committed to supporting inclusion, racial healing, education and community engagement in order to work towards the goal of inclusion, healing, education and community the Township Council on June 23, 2020, authorized the creation of special Advisory Committee known as the Mayor's Advisory Committee for Truth, Racial Healing and Transformation of Berkeley Heights ("TRHT Advisory Committee"), which is set to expire at the end of the 2020 calendar year unless extended by further action of the Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Township Council agree that it would be in the best interest of the Township to continue the TRHT Advisory Committee beyond 2020 to provide advice and assistance on matters related to the Township's commitment to support community-based change to address the effects of racism

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Berkeley Heights, in the County of Union, New Jersey, as follows:

1. The aforesaid recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. The TRHT Advisory Committee shall continue as a special Committee through ~~April 30, 2021~~, **July 31, 2021**
3. The purposes, membership requirements, responsibilities and all other terms relating to the Committee and its membership shall remain as set forth in above referenced June 23, 2020 Resolution, except for the sunset provisions of the Board itself which shall now be ~~April 30, 2021~~. **July 31, 2021**
4. Appointments to the Committee for the term ending December 31, 2020 shall not be made before January 19, 2021.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

**APPROVED this 20th day of April, 2021.**

**ATTEST:**

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**TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS  
COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY**

**A RESOLUTION AWARDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO  
HUNTER RESEARCH FOR PHASE I ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY FOR LITTEL  
LORD HOUSE AND PHASE III ARCHAEOLOGICAL DATA RECOVERY (IF  
REQUIRED)**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Berkeley Heights is in need of contracting for professional Archaeological services to provide various improvements at the Littel Lord House in the Township of Berkeley Heights; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., requires a resolution authorizing the award of the contract for professional services without competitive bid and that the contract itself must be available for inspection; and

**WHEREAS**, Hunter Research has provided two proposals dated April 16, 2021, said proposal consisted of the following services: Archaeological survey Phase I, in the amount of \$9,000.00, and Archaeological Data Recovery Phase III (if required) in the amount of \$37,000.00. The total cost proposed for both is \$46,000.00.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Body of the Township of Berkeley Heights that the Mayor and/or the Township Administrator of the Township of Berkeley Heights are hereby authorized to execute and attest to an agreement with Hunter Research for Archaeological Survey and Archaeological Data Recovery (if required); at a fee not to exceed \$49,000.00 pursuant to their proposal dated April 16, 2021. This contract is awarded without competitive bids as a "professional services contract" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(l) of the Local Public Contracts Law and pursuant to a Fair and Open process in accordance with the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, et seq.; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chief Financial Officer has issued a Certificate Available Funds which is incorporated herein by reference, for an amount not to exceed \$46,000.00.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

**APPROVED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2021.**

**ATTEST:**

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**Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk**

**CERTIFICATE OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS**

I certify that there are sufficient legally appropriated funds for the amount of this contract, \$46,000.00, in Account #T-20-46-460-044, and that these funds have not been certified as available for any other pending contract.

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Eugenia Poulos, Chief Financial Officer  
April 20, 2021

**TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS  
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION OF THE 2021 NEW  
JERSEY HISTORIC PRESERVATION TRUST GRANT**

**WEREAS**, the Township of Berkeley Heights, County of Union, and State of New Jersey, will submit a grant application to the 2021 New Jersey Historic Preservation Trust Grant to assist in the rehabilitation and restoring of the Littel-Lord Farmhouse.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Council of the Township of Berkeley Heights does hereby authorize the filing of the above stated matching grant application in the amount of \$100,000 (Township portion would be \$40,000, to be paid for out of the Littel Lord Trust) and, upon receipt of the grant agreement does further authorize the execution of the grant agreement; and also, upon receipt of the fully executed agreement does further authorize the expenditure of funds, pursuant to the terms of said agreement.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Township of Berkeley Heights and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

**APPROVED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April 2021.**

**ATTEST:**

Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk

**CERTIFICATE OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS**

I certify that there are sufficient legally appropriated funds for the amount of this contract, \$40,000.00, in Account #T-20-46-460-044, and that these funds have not been certified as available for any other pending contract.

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Eugenia Poulos, Chief Financial Officer  
April 20, 2021



**TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS  
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION OF THE 2021 AARP  
COMMUNITY CHALLENGE GRANT**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Berkeley Heights, County of Union, and State of New Jersey, will submit a grant application to the 2021 AARP Community Challenge Grants to increase safe pedestrian capability downtown and around our parks.

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Berkeley Heights desires to launch a “Trailblazer” project – to design, print and display readable Township maps of public walking trails, to be housed in covered structures at four locations in town.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Council of the Township of Berkeley Heights does hereby authorize the filing of the above stated grant application in the amount of \$15,090.00 and, upon receipt of the grant agreement does further authorize the execution of the grant agreement; and also, upon receipt of the fully executed agreement does further authorize the expenditure of t funds, pursuant to the terms of said agreement.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Township of Berkeley Heights and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

**APPROVED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April 2021.**

**ATTEST:**

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**Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk**